

### **REMARKS**

This Amendment and Request for Continued Examination is being filed to perfect the priority claim of this application. During previous prosecution of this case, the Office rejected the claim for priority to Provisional Application Serial No. 60/234,442. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the priority claim to read:

This application is a continuation-in-part application of US Nonprovisional Application Ser. No. 10/652,110 filed August 29, 2003, which itself is a continuation-in-part application of US Nonprovisional Application Ser. No. 10/364,228 filed February 11, 2003, the teachings of which are incorporated herein by reference, and claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/484,635, filed July 3, 2003, the teachings of which are also incorporated herein by reference. US Nonprovisional Application Ser. No. 10/652,110 filed August 29, 2003 is also a continuation-in-part of US Nonprovisional Application Ser. No. 09/960,453 filed September 21, 2001, the teachings of which are incorporated herein by reference, which claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/234,442, filed September 21, 2000, the teachings of which are also incorporated herein by reference.

It is believed that this amendment now makes it clear that Nonprovisional Application 09/960,453 claims the benefit of Provisional Application 60/234,442. The present case, then, enjoys the benefit of Provisional Application 60/234,442 via Nonprovisional Application 09/960,453.

Thus, Applicants are making these amendments in this Request for Continued Examination to give the Examiner time to consider the priority date of Provisional Application 60/234,442.

If the Examiner desires personal contact for further disposition of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Attorney at 603.668.6560.

In the event there are any fees due, please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 50-2121.

Respectfully submitted,  
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